from taking my seat in the senate, during its present session, and as I cannot now calculate on doing it for some weeks, and believing that in the interim, questions may come before it, important, particularly to this state, I cannot reconcile it with my sense of duty, longer to retain the appointment; I must therefore request the legislature to consider this my letter of resignation as senator of the United States.

Permit me to present to you gentlemen, and through you to

the legislature, the assurance of my high respect.

EDWARD LLOYD.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered 2 bill entitled, a further additional supplement to a supplementary act, entitled, an act for the recovery of small debts out of court, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and twenty four, chapter one hundred and thirty eight, which was read the first time, and laid on the table.

The senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, ten o'clock.

Wednesday, January 18th, 1896.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yester-day, except Mr. Tilghman. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill to repeal an act to increase the pay of the judges of the orphans' court, in the counties of Baltimore, Dorchester and Washington, passed at December session, eighteen hundred and eighteen, chapter forty-five, so far as relates to Dorchester county, was read a second time and laid on the table.

The bill for the relief of negro Caroline, of Caroline county, was read a second and by special order a third time, passed, and

sent to the house of delegates.

The bill for the relief of Samuel Lee, of Harford county, was read a second and by special order a third time, passed, and sent

to the house of delegates.

On motion by Mr. Claude, the question was put, will the senate re-commit the bill entitled, a further additional supplement to an act entitled, an act concerning crimes and punishments, with instructions to the committee to amend the bill by striking out the second section thereof. The year and nays being required, appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Stewart, Pres't Bowie

Brownley Claude

Johnson Quinton—6

NEGATIVE.

Dickinson

Orrell

Scott-3

Determined in the affirmative.

Mr Scott, from the committee, reported a bill, entitled, an act to incorporate the Maryland academy of science and literature, which was read the first time and laid on the table.